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METALLIC CYLINDER HEAD GASKET

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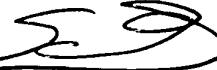
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WHEREAS, Assignors have invented certain new and useful improvements in A METALLIC CYLINDER HEAD GASKET, set forth in a Patent application for which an International Application was filed on February 10, 2005, PCT/EP05/001348, designating the United States; and

WHEREAS, REINZ-Dichtungs-GmbH, having its principal place of business at Reinzstrasse 3-7, 89233 Neu-Ulm, GERMANY (hereinafter referred to as Assignee), is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title and interest in and to said inventions and said Application for Letters Patent of the United States, and in and to any Letters Patent of the United States to be obtained therefore and thereon.

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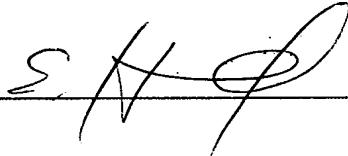
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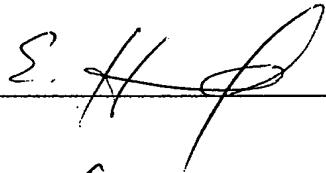
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